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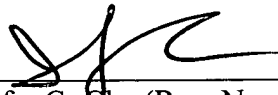
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.191, applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's October 5, 2006 Final Action finally rejecting claims in the above-identified application. The Director is authorized to charge the requisite fee of

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\$500.00 for filing this appeal to Deposit Account No. 50-0725, Ref. No. 02-110 US, 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1). Applicants have filed concurrently a petition for a three-month extension of time. With the extension, the Notice of Appeal is due on or before April 5, 2006.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0725, Ref. No. VPI/02-110 US. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed.

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